

RUSHVILLE CITY UTILITIES
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Rushville, IN 46173

Minutes of the Utility Board Meeting, September 19, 2018
The Utility Board met at the City Utilities Business Office

With Dale Gardner's absence at the start of the meeting, Butch Singleton called the meeting to order.

Board Members Present:

Dale Gardner
Brian Bess
Michael Singleton
Phillip Starkey

Phillip King was absent

Others present:

Les Day	Facility Manager
Gina Jenkins	Office Manager
Geoff Wesling	Utilities Attorney
Michael Pavey	Mayor

Ashley Shiwerski with Utility Service Partners, Inc. was at the meeting to give a presentation on a service line protection plan that is offered through the National League of Cities. This program would offer the property owners an opportunity to cover costs on repair of water lines, sewer lines and interior plumbing & drainage at a low cost per month. There is currently a program in effect with ServLine but it only offers coverage for water lines. The decision was tabled so the board members have time to look over all the information.

Next on the agenda was a discussion concerning the reconnect fee for non-paying customers. The current fee is \$30.00. Les Day told the board that other communities have raised their fee to between \$50.00 and \$100.00, and that it has cut down on non-paying customers. The board asked Geoff Wesling to do a resolution to change the reconnect fee to \$75.00. The resolution will have to be approved by the City Council before it can go in effect.

Butch Singleton motioned to approve the minutes from the August 22, 2018 meeting. Brian Bess seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Les Day told everyone that Michael Howery has requested an adjustment for a leak in the amount of \$867.81. Mr. Howery has had the leak repaired and had a repair bill attached to his request. Brian Bess motioned to approve the adjustment. Phil Starkey seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Les updated everyone on the valve replacement program. Les said that there were six valves left to replace. He also stated that the employees are only able to replace two valves per week because of work involved so it will be a few more weeks before the project is completed.

Les had given everyone a copy of the 2019 Water and Wastewater budgets. After discussion of the budgets, Brian Bess motioned to approve both budgets. Butch Singleton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Brian Bess checked claims for the month. Brian motioned to approve the claims. Phil Starkey seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Butch Singleton motioned to adjourn. Phil Starkey seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be Wednesday, October 17, 2018 at 5 p.m. at the City Utilities Business office.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.